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In re Patent Application of:  
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For: GRANULATED FLAVOR AND METHOD  
FOR PRODUCING THE SAME

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Examiner: A. E. Krause

**AMENDMENT**

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Dear Sir:

**INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS**

In response to the Final Office Action dated March 30, 2009, please enter the following amendments and consider the accompanying remarks. It is believed that no additional fee(s) is required for these submissions. However, should the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office determine that any fee is required or that any refund is owed for this application, the Commissioner is hereby authorized and requested to charge any deficiency and/or credit any refund owed to our Deposit Account No. 04-0100.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of the claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 4 of this paper.